

**METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR CONTROLLING HANDOFFS IN A
WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Techniques for controlling handoffs in a wireless communication system include receiving a location vector from a mobile unit, and determining whether to perform a handoff of
5 the mobile unit based on the received vector. The vector may also include time information related to the time at which the vector was transmitted. The vector may be obtained from a GPS satellite signal or one or more terrestrial stations.